



in which:

- R₁ is a hydrogen atom or a methyl or ethyl group;

- R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅ and R₆, which are identical or different, are linear or branched C₁-C₆;

- m is an integer from 0 to 10;

- n is an integer from 1 to 6;

- Z represents a -C (O) O- or -C (O) NH- group or an oxygen atom;

- A represents a (CH₂)_p group, p being an integer from 1 to 6;

- B represents a linear or branched C₂-C₁₂ polymethylene chain optionally interrupted by one or more heteroatoms or heterogroups, and optionally substituted by one or more hydroxyl or amino groups;

- X, which are identical or different, represent counterions;

(b) at least one hydrophilic monomer carrying a functional group with an acidic nature which is copolymerizable with (a);

(c) optionally at least one monomer compound with ethylenic unsaturation with a neutral charge which is copolymerizable with (a) and (b);

- (2) optionally agitating the cleaning solution to loosen dirt on the surface of the vehicle;
- (3) rinsing the surface of the vehicle to remove at least some of the cleaning solution;

- (4) at least partially removing any residue-forming substances remaining on the surface of the vehicle, if any residue-forming substances remain on the surface of the vehicle;
- (5) applying a treating composition to the surface of the vehicle, said treating composition comprising non-photoactive nanoparticles;
- (6) allowing the treating composition to dry on the surface of the vehicle before any water subsequently contacts the treated surface of the vehicle.

4. (Amended) The method of Claim 3 wherein the surface of the vehicle is not dried after the step of rinsing the surface of the vehicle with purified rinse water.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the statement under the heading "CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED PATENT APPLICATIONS", on page 1 of the specification with the following corrected statement:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED PATENT APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent application Serial No. 09/950,757 filed on September 11, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent application Serial No. 09/875,311, filed on June 6, 2001, which claims the benefit of the filing date of PCT international patent application US00/16349 filed on June 14, 2000; and a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/876,363, filed on June 7, 2001, which claims the benefit of the filing date of provisional U.S. Patent application 60/265,059, filed on January 30, 2001; and a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent application Serial No. 09/828,014 filed on April 6, 2001.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the Abstract with the amended Abstract on the following page: